

Transmission Business Line (TBL)

Proposed Revision to TBL Business Practices, Request for Comments and Moratorium on Multiple POR to Multiple POD Point-to-Point Transmission Service Requests

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Customer Comments Due: June 4, 2004

This posting updates a proposed revision to TBL Business Practices to clarify that the moratorium and proposed business practice change is only for Multiple POR to Multiple POD requests and not for Multiple POR to single POD or single POR to Multiple POD.

Review and comments on this proposed change are due by close of business on June 4, 2004. Submit comments by email to: businesspractices@bpa.gov. All customer comments and BPA's Transmission Business Line's (TBL) responses to those comments will be posted on TBL's website http://www.transmission.bpa.gov/Business/Business_Practices/default.cfm on or about June 11, 2004. If TBL makes a final decision to adopt the business practice changes proposed here, it will also post an updated version of the Application Process for Transmission Service on or about June 11, 2004 reflecting that decision.

Effective immediately, TBL is placing a moratorium on acceptance of Point-to-Point (PTP) transmission service requests involving multiple Points-of-Receipt (PORs) and multiple Points-of-Delivery (PODs). Until further notice, TBL will accept a request for PTP service only if the request contains either a single POR or a single POD. BPA is not proposing modification of existing multiple POR to multiple POD service agreements. After the close of the customer comment period TBL will decide whether to make this practice permanent.

This step is being taken for the following reasons:

- TBL is not able to take requests for long-term firm PTP transmission service over OASIS as long as it accepts requests involving multiple PORs to multiple PODs, since OASIS does not provide that capability;
- 2) Requests for service involving multiple PORs to multiple PODs require TBL to make assumptions about how the customer is using the service, thereby increasing the possibility of curtailment and adding to operational uncertainty.
- 3) TBL internal systems complexity is greatly increased by multiple POR to multiple POD requests which drive up systems costs significantly.

TBL proposes to amend the Business Practice on Application Process for Transmission Service by inserting the following language in section 2 on "Application Policy":

 Point-to-Point transmission service requests must specify either a single POR or a single POD.